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Subject: Readout from the Libyan National Forum to Support Elections

Good afternoon,

Today, in Tripoli, Fathi Bashagha, former Interior Minister of Libya, hosted a conference that brought together political actors supporting the upcoming election in Libya. The National Forum to Support Elections was created to showcase Libyans working to move the electoral and democratic process forward. Mr. Bashagha was joined by over 600 representatives from civil society, politics, and media, including, among others:

- Former Prime Minister Ali Zaidan
- Former House of Representatives Member Mohammed Shuaib
- Presidential candidate Mohammed Al Montasir
- Presidential candidate and former Presidential Council Member Ahmed Metig
- Former Minister of Education Othman Abdeljalel
- President of the Libyan Bar Association Abderaouf Ghanbij

Together they crafted this communique, which he asked us to share with you.

Best,
Maya

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Concluding Statement

The National Forum to Support Elections was held on Wednesday, 3/11/2021 in Tripoli included a number of members of the Presidential Council, the House of Representatives, the High State Council, members of the Political Dialogue Forum, political parties, civil society organizations, public figures, academics, and human rights defenders. The forum concluded the following:-

1. We affirm that direct parliamentary and presidential elections will be held by on its scheduled date, December 24, and there is no room for any attempt to obstruct or delay them for the purpose of postponing them.
2. The necessity of the commitment of all Libyan parties to accept the results of the elections and to allow the candidates to practice their campaigns in all parts of Libya.
3. We call on the UNSMIL and all countries supporting the stability of Libya to commit all Libyan parties to the outcomes agreed upon in the Geneva Agreement roadmap regarding the holding of elections on December 24.
4. We urge the High National Elections Commission to take control to organize transparent and impartial elections, according to a timetable that guarantees holding the elections on December 24.
5. We stress the importance of political parties and entities to enrich the political process to achieve the best performance in a way that achieves the supreme national interest, similar to all democratic systems in the world.
6. We stress the importance of coordinating efforts between the political actors in all parts of the country during this period to facilitate the electoral process.

God save Libya

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